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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

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Attorney Docket No.	ARF2004-003
First Inventor	Kirkland D. Broach et al
Title	NUCLEAR FUEL ASSEMBLY....
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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

- Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
- Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
- Specification [Total Pages 17]
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 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
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- Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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 - a. Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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 - ii. Paper
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement Power of Attorney
10. English Translation Document (if applicable) Copies of IDS Citations
11.
12. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449
13.
14. Preliminary Amendment
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15. Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)
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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

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Application Number	to be assigned
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1002 340	2002 170	Design filing fee	
1003 530	2003 265	Plant filing fee	
1004 770	2004 385	Reissue filing fee	
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SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$ 770.00)	

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
17	-20** = 0	X 0 = -0-	-0-
Independent Claims	3	- 3** = 0	X 0 = -0-
Multiple Dependent			

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1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 86	2201 43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 290	2203 145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 86	2204 43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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3. ADDITIONAL FEES

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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification		
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination		
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action		
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action		
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month		
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1401 330	2401 165	Notice of Appeal		
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1453 1,330	2453 665	Petition to revive - unintentional		
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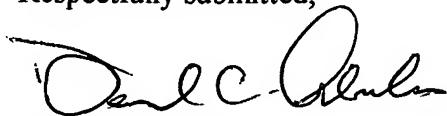
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Respectfully submitted,



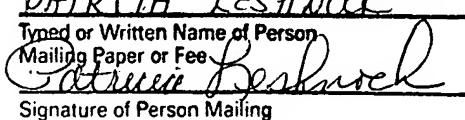
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